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SENATE BILL 511

| Short Title: | Clarify Status of DWI Treatment Courts. | (Public) |
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| Sponsors: | Senators Clodfelter; Dannelly and Graham. | |
| Referred to: | Judiciary I. | |
| | March 11, 2009 | |

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO CLARIFY THAT DWI TREATMENT COURTS ARE A TYPE OF DRUG TREATMENT COURT UNDER THE DRUG TREATMENT COURT ACT.

- 4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:
 - **SECTION 1.** G.S. 7A-791 reads as rewritten:

6 "§ 7A-791. Purpose.

7 The General Assembly recognizes that a critical need exists in this State for judicial programs that will reduce the incidence of alcohol and other drug abuse or dependence and 8 9 crimes, including the offense of driving while impaired, delinquent acts, and child abuse and neglect committed as a result of alcohol and other drug abuse or dependence, and child abuse 10 and neglect where alcohol and other drug abuse or dependence are significant factors in the 11 12 child abuse and neglect. It is the intent of the General Assembly by this Article to create a program to facilitate the creation of local drug treatment court programs. programs and driving 13 while impaired (DWI) treatment court programs." 14 **SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law. 15

